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SATURDAY EVENING, MAY 29, 1880.

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THE FIRST QUARTER COMPLETED.

Anniversary Celebration of the Page Literary Society at Millersville last Evening.

A NOTABLE LITERARY EVENT.

Orations by Ex-Governor Pollock and Mr. W. W. Griest—Immense Audience and Fine Entertainment.

The senior literary society of the state normal school at Millersville has turned another page—the twenty-fifth—in the book of its honorable history, and during the entire period of its existence, it may be said, has achieved no more brilliant success in the way of literary entertainment than in the quart-centenary celebration of last evening. The announcement of so prominent a figure in the history of the commonwealth as ex-Governor James Pollock, of Philadelphia, as one of the orators of the evening, coupled with the reputation of the Page society for giving enjoyable entertainments, had the effect of crowding the spacious chapel of the school building with an audience that occupied every seat, besides a number of chairs brought into requisition and placed in the aisles, while many were yet compelled to stand in the rear vestibule during the evening.

A special car on the Millersville street railway had been chartered by the trustees, and left this city in the afternoon, having on board Gov. Pollock and Mr. Griest, the orators of the evening; Miss Bovee, the elocutionist, the trustees of the school, Prof. Montgomery, of the faculty, and representatives of the press. A number of extra cars went out at 6 p. m., and carried the usual large number of the friends and patrons of the school, and especially of the Page society, in this city, though they did not by any means comprise the entire Lancaster representation, as many went in private conveyances which constituted a severe tax on the capacity of the hotels to accommodate. The blue colors of the Page society were everywhere noticeable among the animated throngs that promenade the beautiful grounds prior to the opening of the exercises, and later crowded the chapel; and the pride and pleasure that marked the countenances of the adherents of this elder of the sister societies of the normal, was as natural as the event is noteworthy in the history of the organization.

The chapel bell sounded shortly before eight o'clock, and directly after the participants in the programme, accompanied by President Brooks and the officers of the occasion, took places on the platform. Mr. J. N. Beistle, of Harrisburg, presided, and Miss Lizzie B. Wiley, of this city, officiated as secretary.

The exercises opened with an impressive prayer by Rev. A. B. Shenkle, of Millersville, after which the Page glee club sang W. O. Perkins' "Maying Glee," which was rendered with fullness and volume combined with perfect sweetness of tone and accuracy of rhythm.

The salutatory address by Mr. J. N. Beistle comprised a few remarks of appropriate greeting to the faculty of the school and all friends of the institution and of the society. Good taste characterized the address, not less in its commendable brevity than in the fitting language in which it was couched. The audience expressed its appreciation of the welcome extended them by applauding the speaker and presenting him with floral tokens.

Then followed a difficult pianissimo duet, "Concertstück" (Weber), by Miss S. D. Watson, with orchestral part arranged for second piano, by Mr. C. E. Montgomery; a very brilliant performance. The admirable touch and finish of execution that marked their handling of the keys were the refinement of manual art, and evoked a peal of enthusiastic applause.

The Page oration on "Chance Influences" was delivered by Mr. W. W. Griest, of Lancaster. Human projects are mutable and mortal. So feebly are they planned, so faintly framed, so liable to change that, as the poet says:

"Oft what seems
A trifle, a mere nothing,
In some nice situation turns the scale
Of fate, and rules the most important actions."

A thousand circumstances occur which may turn a man from his chosen track, and where one human ship sails out on a boundless ocean of endeavor and reaches the haven of its choice, thousands, wrecked on some chance rock, sink in the waves of oblivion, "unknelt, unconfined and unknown," "unwept, unhonored and unsung," while thousands more, turned aside by some chance wind, reach an unforeseen anchorage. These "chance winds" are not "luck" only, neither can we say that accident does very little towards the production of any great result in life; for it has been of no little importance in shaping the careers of individuals; it has been a mighty factor in the enactment of history; science and art bear its impress, invention and discovery owe it much. As illustrations the orator cited how Hugh Miller found some sea shells in a red sandstone quarry, and grew rich in the truth of a rock bound volume; how a spider's web suggested the first suspension bridge; how Curvier was inspired with his zeal for the study of natural history by finding a shell-fish on the beach of Normandy; how a tiny shipwreck suggested a plan for the construction of a great tunnel under the Thames river; how a block breaking in pieces led Gutenberg to the invention of movable types; how Joseph Priestley, noticing the peculiar appearance of the atmosphere over fermented liquor, eventually discovered oxygen, nitrogen, vapor, oxide gas, carbonic oxide gas, and opened a new field of science; how Galileo saw a swinging lamp and invented the pendulum, and how two spectacle glasses falling together, and producing a magnifying effect, led the same man to his invention of the telescope. These facts show that life is full of opportunities, that the difference of men, in a great measure, consists in the intelligence of their observation, and that accident does not so much for one as purpose and persistent industry. Instances of chance influences in history are not difficult to recall, and they illustrate well how the most insignificant thing may well turn out to be a "tide which taken at the flood leads on to fortune." Edward Gibbon tells in his autobiography that he was sitting among the ruins of the Roman Capitol, "while the barefooted friars were singing vespers in the temple of Jupiter, when the idea of writing the decline and fall of the

empire first entered my mind." It was among these same ruins that Byron found a theme for some of his noblest poetry. Rienzi was inspired with his plan for the restoration of the old Roman polity, and Petrarch with his zeal for the revival of ancient learning. When Charles I., of England, reigned over a despotism, tempered by ignorance and intellect, he one day forbade to leave the country two young men who were about to embark for America. Those young men were then "to fortune and to fame unknown"—now among the most illustrious names in English history are those of Oliver Cromwell and his cousin, John Hampden. When we consider this circumstance; when we read that this same Oliver Cromwell stepped over his headless body into the absolute dictatorship of Great Britain; and when we know this revolution added another story to the English Temple of Liberty, are led to the reflection that there is indeed "a destiny which shapes our ends, rough-hew'd as we may." John Brown's sympathy for the oppressed African was first aroused, when ten years old, by seeing a cousin, John Hampden. Then commenced the progress of a great soul which is still "marching on."

Like a cubic inch of air which, if taken 4,000 miles above the earth's surface, will expand sufficiently to fill a sphere with a diameter equal to that of Neptune, so the smallest atom of the slightest act may expand and fill the sphere of our life, and affect the lives of generations yet unborn. The triviality of these occurrences impresses one with the solemnity and awfulness of the fact that there is not a thought nor an act in the life of a human being but that carries with it a train of consequences, the end of which we may never trace. No one stands alone. All are parts of a stupendous whole; generations rise and thousands years deep, with hands on their successors' shoulders, transmit the magnetic current which shall kindle the torch of the most distant future. There is an immortality in our deeds. No human providence is high enough to give us a prospect of the end; the in consists the peril and responsibility of humankind. Mr. Griest's oration was a masterpiece of eloquence, and the audience testified its admiration of the performance by recalling her, the lady responding with a pretty English lullaby.

The readings of Miss Belle Bovee, of Bloomfield, N. J., gave a variety and interest to the programme, without which it would have been lacking in the fullness and perfection that distinguished the entire evening. She is a natural elocutionist, being gifted with a flexible and sympathetic voice that charms the sense of hearing while conveying an accurate idea of the text, and her manner on the platform is free from the embarrassment that many of our many elocutionists. The selections which she favored the audience last evening were the poem scene from "Romeo and Juliet," which she followed with a chaste little love poem, then that rollicking dialogue from "Lady Gay Snicker," which was given with all the vim and energy that the author has endowed his heroine with, and then she read a pathetic selection not down on the bill. Later she recited Kellogg's stirring lines of "Regulus," which were delivered with impassioned force. All her efforts were liberally rewarded with applause, together with the customary floral testimonial.

Miss A. V. Peebles sang "Mia Picci-rella" (Gomez) in charming style. Her voice is a soprano of pure quality and richness of volume, and the audience testified its admiration of the performance by recalling her, the lady responding with a pretty English lullaby.

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Miss Watson executed Liszt's Rhapsodie Hongroise No. 2, which was fully up to the point of merit to her previous performance, her interpretation of this work of a great master evincing intelligence of conception as well as grace and accuracy of execution.

The honorary address was delivered by ex-Governor James Pollock, his subject being "The Progress of Knowledge, its Relations to the Practical and the Real." Before proceeding to the discussion of his subject proper, however, the governor indulged in some extended remarks recalling reminiscences and associations connected with the inception and establishment of the Millersville normal school, which has grown to be an educational power known and recognized throughout the land. Its history, he said, was a noble one; its record must cause to swell with pride the bosoms of all who have ever been in any way identified with it. 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